



Market Bulletin

Bob Odom, Commissioner

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Seedling nurseries sustain \$3 billion forest industry



24 million seedlings harvested annually

Each year the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry produces some 24 million seedlings at the state's four tree nurseries.

"Most folks don't realize it but the trees used by the paper and timber companies don't regenerate themselves from pine cones or windblown seeds on site. That type of reforestation is ancient history," said Commissioner Bob Odom.

"We have a \$3.3 billion paper and forest products industry in Louisiana that makes up over half of the entire agriculture and forest economy in the state and depends heavily on our nurseries for their seed stock.

"By far the majority of all trees grown in Louisiana these days come from a seedling nursery. Our forestry personnel at the nurseries are responsible for producing the vast bulk of all trees that are growing in the state today," Odom said.

As well, he said, the seedling nurseries depend on customer sales to pay their way. "There is no taxpayer money going into our nursery operations."

Several of the major paper companies also have seedling nurseries to complement the seedling stock grown at the state nurseries in DeRidder, Oberlin, Monroe and Columbia.

"Each fall, we start pulling the seedlings from the ground. We continue that process through March," explained Kenny Hanchey, assistant nursery superintendent at the Beauregard nursery near DeRidder. He said the Beauregard nursery would produce about 13-million seedlings this season.

A crew of some 30 part-time employees at the nursery follows a tractor pulling a plowing device that shakes the 10-inch seedlings from the sandy soils. The crew gathers the dislodged seedlings on

the rows and packs them in tubs. The tubs are gathered and moved into an enclosed warehouse where the remainder of the soil is shaken from their roots and they are sorted according to grade. The seedlings are weighed rather than counted and the roots are sprayed with a jelly-like substance to maintain moisture. They are packaged in bundles of a thousand and put in cold storage while they await shipment.

The markets for the trees cover a broad range of customers.

"We sell to big industries. As well, we grow a lot of custom trees of a particular variety for industries according to their needs. We sell to private landowners. We may sell to a man who has two acres or we may sell to a timber company that has many thousands of acres," Hanchey said.

"Timber companies develop a

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It takes a crew of 30 following behind a tractor-disking machine (top) to collect millions of seedlings growing at LDAF's nursery near DeRidder. The sandy soil is shaken from the seedlings (above) before they are moved to the sorting and packing shed (see p. 2).

Louisiana Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom returned from Washington, D.C., Jan. 9, frustrated with the administration for refusing to consider an economic stimulus package for farmers and rural communities faced with mounting losses from excessive rains and drought.

Odom participated in a disaster fly-in meeting and press conference hosted by the Agriculture Disaster Assistance Coalition, a group that

includes national producer groups, farm unions, agriculture lenders, the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture. The meeting was attended by representatives from 38 farm organizations, which Odom said were all "singing the same song" – they have to have money in the rural communities to keep farmers in business.

During the meeting Odom

addressed key agriculture officials in the administration and pleaded for funds to help keep farmers in business.

"The administration is not making agriculture the priority that it needs to be. Nearly 90 percent of all counties and parishes in this country were declared disaster areas in 2002. That tells me the agriculture economy and rural communities are hurting and desperately need assistance," Odom

said. The coalition met with USDA Sec. Ann Veneman and Odom personally met with USDA Deputy Sec. Jim Mosely.

"I spoke with Sen. Mary Landrieu, Sen. John Breaux, Rep. Rodney Alexander, Rep. Bill Jefferson, Rep. Chris John and Rep. David Vitter while I was there and they are all on board for getting relief to our farmers, but the administration says they will not sign off on a disaster package."

Odom also spoke with staff members of Reps. Richard Baker, Billy Tauzin and Jim McCrery. To gain national support for a disaster package, he met with Reps. Charlie Stenholm of Texas, the ranking member of the House Agriculture Committee, Jerry Moran of Kansas and Maurice Hinchey of New York, and Sens. Conrad Burns of Montana and Ben Nelson of Nebraska.

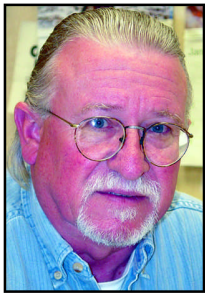
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Tree breeding science produces South's best seedling material

Drive along any Louisiana highway and the walls of green that frame the road appear natural and random if not downright haphazard.

That's largely an illusion. Those are not just any-old-trees growing wherever a seed happened to fall and germinate. For 35 years forestry specialists at the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry's tree nurseries as well as private company nurseries have produced some three billion seedlings that make up the bulk of the trees covering more than half of the state's 28-million-acre land mass.



Charles Matherne

"We are a very progressive state when it comes to the quality of trees we produce at our nurseries," said Charles Matherne, chief of the department's Reforestation Division. "We don't plant woods-run or wild seed stock anymore. We have been engaged in genetically improved tree breeding at our seed orchards for 35 years.

"We are producing some super, super tree seedling material. We are as good with our genetic material as anybody in the South and better

than many," Matherne said.

In 2002 the department's four seed nurseries grew 24 million seedlings. Twenty million seedlings were loblolly and slash pine, the predominant species used to regenerate the feedstock for the state's \$3.3 billion paper industry. The remaining four million seedlings were in 41 different species, everything from elm, cypress, pecan, cherry, dogwood, and walnut as well as 14 different varieties of oaks.

The department has four nurseries at Monroe, DeRidder, Oberlin and Columbia. The Monroe nursery produces exclusively hardwood seedlings. Columbia grows superior and second-generation pine stock. Oberlin produces slash and loblolly pine, both superior and second generation, while DeRidder grows longleaf pine, disease resistant slash pine, loblolly pine, spruce pine and Virginia pine for Christmas tree stock.

"We don't do any gene manipulation in our improvement programs," Matherne said. "We get our superior stock by selecting those plants that show the fastest growth, best wood quality and highest disease resistance. We select the best of the best. We may only choose the best two or three plants out of 10,000 seedlings.

It is a lengthy process moving through successive generations of cross pollination, grafting and

growing trees to maturity. After 35 years, the department's plant breeders recently collected 50 pounds of seed from the third generation loblolly orchards to begin work on their fourth generation of loblolly pines.

The process starts with a select few plants, Matherne said. The breeders blow pollen from the best parents onto the flowers of the other parent stock. Then the seed from the pinecones from the first generation stock are planted to grow a second-generation tree.

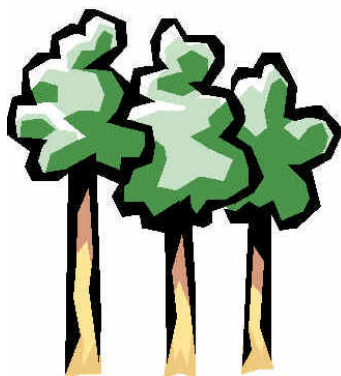
Cuttings from those second generation trees are grafted onto specially grown pine seedling rootstock, he said. Slash pine rootstock is used for loblolly pine grafting because its root system has been shown to be the hardiest and most aggressive. The slash pines are grafted to Livingston Parish loblolly pine rootstock.

The best progeny from third generation stock will be grafted onto rootstock for the fourth generation and so on.

"Our plant breeders carefully guard against recessive genes showing up in the millions of seedlings grown each year by planting between 20 and 30 different unrelated clones in a single orchard," Matherne said. "The practice maintains genetic diversity and prevents recessive genes with undesirable traits from gaining a foothold in seedling stock."



Millions of pine seedlings growing at the Beauregard Nursery are under the watchful eye of LDAF Assistant Nursery Superintendent Kenneth Hanchey (clockwise from top left). In the sorting and packing shed Lisa Swain weighs seedlings while Jason Weber packs the seedlings before storing in a refrigerated warehouse. On the assembly line the part-time crew cleans the roots and culls reject seedlings. Bertha Day, an employee at the nursery for 35 years, counts seedlings.



CATTLE

No grade sires listed in the interest of better livestock. All dairy cattle 20 mos. of age, beef cattle 24 mos. of age, or pasturing or post pasturing animals of any age offered for sale, except for immediate slaughter, must have valid 30-day negative brucellosis test certificate. Contact La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry, P.O. Box 1951, Baton Rouge, La. 70821-1951.

REMINDER: Have all of your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age vaccinated against brucellosis. For information contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, your parish Cattlemen's Association or parish Farm Bureau.

Reg. Charolais bulls, \$1000/1-up; Reg. Charolais heifers, ready to breed, \$1000/1. Ridley Chauvin, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-6954 or (985) 537-7229.

Reg. Braford bulls & heifers, Champion bloodlines, gain Test leaders, heifers, \$700/1; 2 yr. old bulls, \$1500. Fred Elsing, Alexandria, 71306; (318) 442-0741.

Reg. Charolais heifers, \$1000/1. Simone Chauvin, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-6954 or (985) 537-7229.

Reg. Braford bull, 4 yrs., 3/8 x 5/8, gentle, good calves to show, \$1500. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, 70510; (337) 652-620.

Beefmasters, high performing, quality cattle, heifers, open/bred, \$800 - \$1400/1; bulls, 9 - 24 mos., \$1000 - \$1800/1. Mel Jackson, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 443-0203.

Reg. Polled Charolais bull, 25 mos., very gentle, big, stout, \$1800. Bert Lavergne, Scott, 70583; (337) 269-1881.

Reg. Black Angus bulls, semen tested, good quality, 18 mos. - 24 mos., \$1200/1. Bill Alford, Robert, 70455; (985) 893-1651.

Red & white face bull, 2 yrs., \$900; red & white face bull, 3 yrs., \$800; Charolais bull, 3½ yrs., \$1000. Chris Berthelot, Oak Grove, 71263; (318) 428-8548.

Reg. Brangus bull, Mr. Elmtree, calved 4/98, \$1250. Odel Cobb, Robeline, 71469; (318) 472-8256.

Reg. Charolais cattle, 3/N/1's, \$1200 - \$1500; open heifers, \$700/1; yrlg. bulls, \$800/1-up; 2 yr. bulls, \$1500 - \$1800/1. Harry Comeaux, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 662-3270.

Red Brangus bull, yearling, Doc's Extra Magic/Hickory Hill bloodlines, easy calving, gentle, \$750. Anita Craig, Deville, 71328; (318) 466-3839.

Reg. Brangus bull, 3/01, gentle, excellent cond., \$1200. Eugene Dunn, Columbia, 71418; (318) 649-5105.

FB Simmental full Fleckvieh, 5/92, exposed to Apache double black double pole son of Nichols Black Advantage, daughter of S. H. Romulus F53R, \$600. Johnnie Enterkin, West Monroe, 71291; (318) 396-4244.

Braford heifers, \$550/1; ¾ Braford bull, 14 mos., \$850. John Greene, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 643-1036.

Charolais bull, 2/00, gentle, calves to show, located in Carencro, \$1000. Argie Guilbeau, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-3089.

Brangus replacement heifers,

725 lb. avg. wt., pasture exposed to reg. Polled Hereford, gentle, 10 to choose from, \$500/1. Cliff Johnson, Heflin, 71039; (318) 894-4367.

Reg. Polled Limousin bulls, 21 mos., red with black background, 3 yr. black with calves to show, \$1200/1-up; ¾ Limousin x ¼ Angus, 1 yr., \$725. Randy Melancon, New Iberia, 70560; (337) 685-4029.

Reg. Black Angus bulls, 9 - 10 mos., \$600 - \$700/1. Mark Monday, Heflin, 71039; (318) 377-4079.

Reg. Polled Hereford bull calves, 1/02 & 4/02, \$1000 - \$1200/1. Ed Nettles, Holden, 70744; (225) 567-9298.

Reg. Polled Hereford bull, 4 yrs., gentle, daughters to show, \$900. Leo Pergue, Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 633-2144.

Reg. Gelbvieh bulls, ready to breed, great growth EPD's, black & red available, \$1200/1-up. Bob Pitre, Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 447-8146.

(14) Certified F1 heifers, 8 mos., \$8400/all or \$700/1; (6) Super Black Baldy heifers, 8 mos., \$3000/all or \$600/1. Phillip Plaisance, Lockport, 70374; (985) 532-6759.

Reg. Black Limousin bull, 5 yrs., keeping heifers, sire: Black Horizon, \$1000. Jack Prescott, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-8242 or (985) 229-3561.

Reg. Angus bulls, Traveler & Tehama Bando 155, 12 - 22 mos., very gentle, \$1000/1-up. Albert Roger, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-6314.

Angus steer, Louisiana bred, \$1/lb. on foot; reg. Angus bull, 34 mos., \$2200. now on feed. Mikie Romero, New Iberia, 70560; (337) 365-6835.

Charolais bull, 30 mos., calf to show, \$1325. Grant Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-3907.

Reg. Red Limousin herd bull, 4/97, excel. background & EPD's, had on small herd, gentle, thick muscled, proven calf ease, \$1000. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 868-2693 or (985) 209-0026.

Reg. Black Brangus bulls, 17 - 20 mos., from calving ease herd, ready for service, \$900; reg. Black Brangus herd sire, AI'd from Windac Benchmark, 4 yrs., calving ease, easy fleshy, clean sheathed & lots of meat, \$2000. Raymond Watson, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 665-3426.

Reg. Simmental & Simbrah cattle, heifers, bulls, prs., \$650/1-up. B. Denton, Jean, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

Black Angus bull, 2 yrs. 8 mos., \$800. Claiborne Medine, Donaldsonville, 70346; (225) 473-7241.

¾ **Hereford** ¼ Brahma, 4 yrs., good breeder, \$1000. Glynn Broussard, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 643-6496.

Homozygous cow with bull calf at side, 4 yrs., \$1200. Marvin Carter, Pineville, 71360; (318) 442-1717.

PB Limousin bull, 6/00, very gentle, halter broke, Gunsmoke bloodline, \$800. Pete Chaumont, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 462-1180.

Reg. Black Angus bulls, most AI'd, \$1300/1-up. LaMar DePhillips, Husser, 70442; (985) 748-7298.

Reg. Limousin bull, red, 4 yrs., gentle, easy calving, \$850 or trade. Scott Fairchild, Geismar, 70734; (225) 647-8231.

Reg. Limousin Polled double black bulls & heifers, ready for spring breeding, AI sires, great EPD's, hvy. muscle, \$1200/1-up. Terry Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 364-4241.

Reg. Black Angus bulls, excel. bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. Arthur Freeman, Columbia, 71418; (318) 649-5863.

Reg. Simmental & Simbrah bulls, polled, solid reds, gentle, all shots, deliv. avail., 8 mos. - 3 yrs., \$550 - \$1175/1. Harold Landreneau, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-0505.

Reg. Polled Hereford bull, \$1500; heifers & calves, great stock, \$500 - \$1800. Bennie Nobles, Kenner, 70065; (504) 455-5777.

(86) Brangus & Angus replacement heifers, bred 5 & 6 mos. to lbw reg. Angus bulls, large frames, very gentle, \$750/1. Ralph Robinson, Ida, 71044; (318) 284-3530.

Pb Shorthorn bull calf from reg. stock on premises, 5 mos., approx. 400 lbs., \$800. Harold Savoie, Lafayette, 70502; (337) 873-6638.

Dexter bull, 1 yr., \$400. Donald Schexnaydre, Sorrento, 70778; (225) 675-5954.

F1 heifers, 22 mos., out of reg. Brahman bull & pb cows bred to horned Hereford bull, \$800/1-up. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off, 70435; (985) 632-2695.

Reg. Horned & Polled Hereford bulls, 2 yrs., excel. bloodlines, EPD's, well built, ready for service, semen tested, \$1250/1. William Bell, New Orleans, 70118; (504) 864-1565.

Reg. Brangus bulls, black, calving ease, good growth, very gentle, bucket trained, (4) 12 mos., (1) 32 mos., calves to show, \$900 - \$1100. Bill Clattenburgh, Montpelier, 70856; (225) 777-4909.

(2) Reg. Holstein cows, (1) daughter Tesk, (1) daughter Rambo, \$900/1. L. Champagne, Cut Off, 70345; (985) 632-3389.

BBU reg. Beefmaster cows & heifers, \$750/1-up; base cows & 1X, E6 females, breeding age bulls, \$1500/1-up. R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4566.

HORSES, MULES, & JACKS

All horses, mules, and jacks must be from bona fide livestock farmers. We cannot accept notices from horse dealers, order buyers or persons selling on commission basis.

Every time you submit an advertisement one of the following must be provided. 1. All listings of horses, mules or jacks must be accompanied by a COPY of the original official negative Coggins test for Equine Infectious Anemia (E.I.A.) that was performed within the past 6 months prior to sale on all horses, mules, and jacks, except nursing foals. (OR) 2. A signed statement from the seller stating that he will furnish the buyer with a negative Coggins at the time of sale.

APHA homozygous mares, exposed to homozygous stallions, \$1995/1-up. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70707; (225) 664-5381 or (225) 664-4288.

'92 AQHA sorrel mare, 3 yrs. professional cutting, excellent handle, Team penning, \$3000. Jean Causey, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 664-4238.

'96 APHA black & white geld., 1 yr. Cutting horse, good disp., \$3700.

Mitzi Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 664-4238.

'00 AQHA geld., Hollywood Gold, Cutter Bill, Three Bars, Leo, King on 4 generation pedigree, green broke, very gentle to break & ride, good mind, \$2000. Billy Neef, Lafayette, 70503; (337) 981-5409.

Black mare, 7 yrs., bred to 17 hand homozygous, \$2000; reg. Spotted Saddle mare, 2 yrs., bred to reg. TW Tobiano paint, \$1800. Paul Broussard, Broussard, 70518; (337) 837-1368.

AQHA gray mare, 4/00, Two Eyed Jack, Conclusive bred, green broke, hvy. boned, great disp., \$1800. Jeannie Causey, Walker, 70785; (225) 235-5121.

'01 Reg. App. solid filly, out of own daughter of Alias King by Ima Cool Skip sire, very stocky build, great disp., \$1000. Randy Causey, Walker, 70785; (225) 235-5121.

Reg. Racking mare, 9 yrs., very gentle, \$1800. Line Daigrepoint, Lacombe, 70445; (985) 882-7278.

Reg. QH, Lineback Dun, 5 yrs., started roping, timed events, team penning prospect, very gentle, good disp., amateur or beginner, \$2000. David DeLee. Jackson, 70748; (225) 634-2578.

'00 AQHA Bay filly, Poco Bueno, Leo, started under saddle, very gentle, \$1800; '95 QH Red Dun mare, excel. trail horse, knows barrels & poles, Impressive breeding, experienced rider, \$2000. Kristy Francis, Folsom, 70437; (985) 796-5085.

Reg. Black & White App. geld., Pudden Head, Cooterville Echohawk, Mansfield Comanche, very gentle, others avail., \$1200/1-up. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

AQHA, LA bred, 21 mos., gray gelding, AAA bloodlines, \$1800. Richard Guidry, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2671.

'01 AQHA Palomino mare, Skipper W & Leo Goldseeker, \$1500; AQHA, 8 yr., Peppy San geld., roping horse, heads & heels, \$5500. Bill Hutchinson, Pride, 70770; (225) 654-0799.

APHA colts, bay & wht. yrlg., buckskin & white yrlg., black & white weanling, blue roan & white weanling filly, Joechief Bar, Sky Bug Bingo, Peppy Spook, good conf., \$800/1. Douglas Madden, Saline, 71070; (318) 576-3570.

AQHA weanling colt, sorrel, Leo, Sport Model, Impressive, Iron Bird, little head, big hips, \$750. G. Martel, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-7471.

'01 APHA filly, big, muscular, ties & trims, \$675; '02 APHA filly, lots of color, \$500 or trade for gelding. Ken Soileau, Sunshine, 70780; (225) 642-0777.

Reg. Tennessee Walkers, gentle weanlings, yrlgs., all colors, \$800/1-up. L. Spears, Dry Creek, 70637; (337) 328-7365.

'02 AQHA gray filly, top: Colonel Freckles, Mr. San Peppy, bottom: Smart Peppy Doc, Nu Bar, beautiful head, good conf. & disp., blaze face, no white on legs, \$2000. John Swope, Georgetown, 71432; (318) 827-5404.

'90 Paint mare, in foal for black & white Paint, great starter horse, smooth gait, \$1200. Michael Theriot, Henderson, 70517; (337) 228-2089.

Mules, gaited Molly, \$850; 2 yr., not broke, will be gaited, \$750; John mule, \$350. Jim White, Castor, 71016; (318) 544-2356.

Reg. Morgan geld., 6 yrs., blaze, chestnut, white socks, gaited, gentle, good trail prospect, \$2500. Barbara Grannan, Covington, 70435; (985) 893-1880.

'95 APHA Tobiano geld., good handle, real nice, tracks calves, placed & won Western Pleasure classes, \$3500. Richard Perieux, St. Martinville, 70582; (337) 394-8807.

'95 APHA mare, very gentle, broke to ride, with 7 mos. colt, good bloodline, \$2800/both or will sell separate. Sam McDonald, Sugartown, 70662; (337) 328-8886.

Reg. '94 AQHA sorrel geld., blaze face, Doc's Sug, Wonder Seeker bloodlines, \$1500. Michael Santangelo, Plaquemine, 70764; (225) 659-0142.

AMHA reg. Miniature colts, black & white with 4 white socks & blue roan, \$500/1. Sigmond Spell, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-1529.

'02 APHA chestnut colt & blue roan, Overo filly, Colorado Sonny, Bonanza bloodline & Royal San, Especial, Doc Bar, Kitaman bloodline, \$500-800/1. Shane Carter, Plaquemine, 71362; (318) 939-2321.

'84 AQHA bay geld., Doc O'Lena bred, great cutting horse for beginner, solid, sound, no bad habits, \$4500. Gene Johnson, 7412 Watford Ave., Baton Rouge, 70808; (225) 769-2219.

'02 colt, sorrel with white marking, gaited & built like a QH, gentle, halter broke, \$400. James Veillon, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4355.

AQHA mares & colts by Dulces Peppy, Snorty Lena, Bingo Hickory & Smart Little Jerry, Doc O'Lena, Docs Sug & Sonita's Last bloodlines, \$1250/1-up. Charles Champagne, Cut Off, 70345; (985) 632-3389.

Two Sorrel colts born spring of '02, gentle & halter broke, \$300 & \$400; 12 yr. QH mare, well trained for anyone to ride, will foal in March, \$1000. Phyllis Veillon, Ville Platte 70586; (337) 636-4355.

AQHA Sorrel geld., 10 yrs., Dash for Cash bred, heads, heels, works cows, has been hauled, \$3500. Sherman Wells, Eunice 70535; (337) 457-1879.

Wanted: Absolute tame buggy horse without bad habits & harness. Tanny DeVillier, Eunice, 70535; (337) 546-0255.

SWINE

Pb Boars, Duroc, Linebred Otis, Yorkshire, Sweetness 4-1 x Reload Hampshire, Hummer x Illusive, \$250 - 500/1. Nelson Menard, Youngsville, 70592; (337) 856-8044.

Feeder pigs, \$35/1-up; #1 hogs, 180 - 240 lbs., \$75/1-up; Pot Bellied pigs, \$30. Cindy Smith, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 735-9671.

STALLION SERVICE

'97 AQHA black stallion, Ima Cool Skip & Boston Mac bred, Hypp N/N, \$300/\$5 day mare care. Randy Causey, Walker, 70785; (225) 235-5121.

AQHA Palomino, Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Bypass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 day mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

Black & White Appaloosa, Cooterville, Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 day mare care. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

AQHA Bay stallion, Streaking La Jolla, Miss Chick Lil Sheik 102 SI, ¾ brother to Jess Perry, \$300/\$7 day mare care. Barbara Guidry, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2671.

Gray stallion, SI 101 400 yds., SI 99, 440 - 870 yds., By Yawl, 2nd dam family of Blue Hen mare Flicka, \$500/\$7 mare care. Richard Guidry, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2671.

APHA bay & white homozygous Tobiano, guaranteed live colored foal, \$350/\$4 day mare care. Joey LeDoux, Gueydan, 70542; (337) 536-9444.

APHA black & white Tobiano, guaranteed live foal, \$300/\$4 day mare care. Sherry LeDoux, Gueydan, 70542; (337) 536-9444.

AQHA gray stallion, sire is son of Colonel Freckles & half brother of Taris Catlyst, dam is daughter of Mr. San Peppy, finished in reining & working cow horse, excel. conf. & disp., \$400/\$6 day mare care. John Swope, Georgetown, 71432; (318) 827-5404.

Homozygous APHA blk. & wht. stallion, '98 MS. Grand Champion in halter, guaranteed Paint, good conf., \$250/\$5 day mare care. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70776; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-4238.

LSUS Skipa Pudden AQHA/NFQHA Dunn stallion, True Southern Gentlemen, Son of Skipa Star, \$500/\$5 day mare care. Paul Smith, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-3082.

SHEEP & GOATS

Reg. White with red ears & face male, 1/00, \$250; reg. all red female, 1/99, \$200; reg. all red female, 1/01, \$200. Donald Deshotels, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 461-5220.

Kido Meat goats, 50 does, exposed to fb Kiko buck, 2/02, \$100/1. Erole Kreamer, Marrero, 70072; (504) 347-8751.

Katahdin sheep (6 sold as herd only), (1) 200+ lb. 2 yr. ram, (5) pregnant ewes, 1 - 4 yrs., \$600/all. Horace Leger, Lake Charles, 70605; (337) 478-3659.

Fb Boer billies, 1 yr. & 11 mos., color correct, SA bloodline, good conf., excel. genetics, \$250/1-up. Anthony Mumphy, Eunice, 70535; (337) 550-0826.

Nubian doe with baby, \$85; Brush doe with baby, \$85. Lea Worthmann, Pearl River, 70452; (985) 863-0575.

Katahdin sheep, fat, healthy, \$75/1; bred ewes, \$75/1; 4 yr. ram, \$100. Allie Johnson, Simpson, 71474; (337) 383-7777.

Brush goats, males & females, all colors, \$50 - \$75/1. Gervais Lasserre, Husser, 70442; (985) 748-3287 or (504) 347-1680.

Brush nannies, hvy. springing, mixed, large, gentle, dehorned, \$75/3. Junior Robertson, Tickfaw, 70466; (985) 345-5679.

Nannies & billies, \$35/1-up. Cindy Smith, Bogalousa, 70427; (985) 735-9671.

Reg. Boer billy, 100%, \$300; nannies, some bred, some with kids, \$60/1-up. R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4566.

Wanted: Young female Kiko goats, can be bred, fb, reg. number not necessary. Roy Martin, Marrero, 70072; (504) 347-3555.

FARMLAND

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads **MUST** include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads **MUST** be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

Caddo Parish, 50 acres, 2 ponds, large barn, fenced, hay field, pasture, \$2800/acre. C. Lewis, Stone-wall, 71078; (318) 925-6358.

Wanted: 50 - 100 acres timberland in Southwest or West Central Louisiana. Wayne Fontenot, Orange, Texas, 77632; (409) 746-2158.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts, before the ad can be published.

Reg. Border Collie pups, 11/02, well colored & marked, \$125/1. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4094.

Catahoula, 2 males, 2 yrs., cow & hog dog, \$100/1 or \$150/both. Leonard Towns, Marion, 71260; (318) 292-5143.

Australian Shepherd puppies, 12/02, off proven working cattle, red & white Leopard, grey & black Leopard, \$75/1. Shirely Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 364-4241.

Reg. Catahoula pups, off proven working stock for cattle & hogs, all shots, black & grey Leopards, \$100. Terry Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 364-4241.

NALC reg. Catahoula pups, LA state dog, 12/02, 6 males, 2 females, \$175. Arthur Reynolds, Haughton, 71037; (318) 949-0646.

NALC Catahoula puppies, born 12/18/02, Leopards, glass eyes, has all shots, \$100 - \$150/1. B. Bergeron, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-1909.

Border Collie, 2 yrs. old, works goats, cattle & hogs, has all shots & worming, \$1000. R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-45466.

Reg. McNab puppies from Foundation bloodlines, working parents on premises (cattle & sheep), will demonstrate, 11/02, \$350/1. Danny Ayo, Maurice, 70555; (337) 893-0988.

Wanted: Australian Shepherd

male to use at stud, must be of working stock, excel. quality,

DOMESTICATED BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

Advertisements will not be accepted from retail shops and/or their owners.

Cockatiels, Albinos, Lutino Pearl, White Face Pearls & more, large breeding age, 1 - 2 yrs., closed banded, most combinations, \$25/1-up; hf, 6 - 8 wks., \$35/1-up, papers included. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City, 70380; (985) 631-3498.

Gouldians, \$115/pr.; Orange Cheeks, \$20/1; Orange Weavers, \$10/1; Zebras, \$7/1; Societies, \$5/1. Daniel Chauvin, Houma, 70364; (985) 876-7966.

Canaries, males & females, \$20/1-up. Ronald Gaillard, New Orleans, 70127; (504) 246-7845.

English Parakeets (Budgies), yng. birds & breeders, from show stock, \$15/1-up. John Gonor, Paulina, 70763; (225) 869-7054.

Albino breeder pr. Indian Ringneck parakeets, \$450; breeder cages, different sizes, \$30 - \$60/1; cockatiel nest boxes, \$5/1; parakeet nest boxes, \$4/1. Aaron Fuselier, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-5667.

Double Yellow Head prs. \$150 or trade for babies out of nest box. Janet Carrick, Plaquemine, 70764; (225) 545-8302.

Pb Malaysian Serma laying prs., \$100 - \$250. Jerry Schexnayder, Vacherie, 70090; (225) 265-2238.

Green Cheek Conures, producting, \$300/pr.; Goffin Cockatoos, \$500/pr. Gloria Monks, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-6600.

Ringneck Dove, normals & whites, \$5 & \$7.50/1; proven mated prs., \$20 & \$30/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-5729.

Orange Face Lovebirds, Lutinos, Olive, Normals, Cinnamons, \$30 - \$60; Red Face & White Face, \$20 - \$50. Dale Landry, Paincourtville, 70393; (985) 369-6952.

Wanted: Rosie Bourkes, prs. or singles. Richard Abney, McNeill, MS, 39457; (601) 798-4902.

POULTRY, GAME, FOWL & EGGS

Blue Peafowl, \$30/1; Woodducks, \$15/1; English Call ducks, \$10/1; Green Winged Teal, \$25/1; Ringed Teal, \$15/1; Mandarin ducks, \$25/1. John Gillespie, Walker, 70785; (225) 686-0514.

Pharaoh & Manchurian Golden quails, 2 days, 25¢/1; full grown, \$1.50 - \$2/1. Patti Arnold, Cecilia, 70521; (337) 667-6632.

Super large Quail hatching eggs, \$100/25, \$12 shipping & handling; live chicks, 75¢/1-up; dressed quail, \$23/doz. G. Chauvin, Schriever, 70395; (985) 448-3360.

Automatic cabinet model #1266 incubator with clear plastic door, 31" high, 15½" wide, 31' front to back, 110 volt ac, 225 watt heat element, \$275. Albert Higginbotham,

Washington, 70589; (337) 585-6423.

Flying Mallards, full grown, 10 Drakes, \$7/1. Pete Chaumont, De-Ridder, 70634; (337) 462-1182.

(2) Australian Black Swans, pinioned, \$150/1. Ray Desjardins, Baton Rouge, 70810; (225) 753-7054.

Ringneck Pheasants, \$35/pr.; Old English Game Bantams, \$35/trio. Hugh Junca, Franklin, 70538; (337) 923-7223.

Wild Turkey gobblers, domesticated, mature, \$100/1. John Savoy, Prairieville, 70769; (225) 622-1795.

Young Laying hens, \$5/2; full grown Muscovy ducks, \$8/males; females, \$5. Jerry Schexnayder, Vacherie, 70090; (225) 265-2238.

Golden sexlink, New Hampshire Reds, 2 mos., \$3/1; grown Muscovy, \$2/1; Asst. geese, \$8/1. Mary Terrell, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-3225.

Pure Saipan fowl, started, \$20/1; pure Red Jungle Fowl, \$12/1. Rob Terrell, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-3225.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Channel catfish, 20¢/1; Chinquapin, 20¢/1; Bluegill, 20¢/1; Black Crappie, 30¢/1; Bass, 50¢/1; Koi, 50¢/1 - up; Hybrid Bream, 20¢/1; delivery avail. D. Lowe, Minden, 71055; (318) 377-1525.

Bass, 60¢/1; Bluegill, 20¢/1; Crappie, 30¢/1; Chinquapin, 30¢/1; Catfish, 20¢/1; Hybrids, 25¢/1; Carp, \$9/1; Minnows, \$8/lb., delivery avail. Frank Book, Shreveport, 71107; (318) 929-4251.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Mini-Lop bunnies, variety of colors, \$10/1; Dutch doe, \$15; (3) Dwarf does, \$15/1. Raymond Myers, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-5123.

Ped. or Non-ped. seedstock NZW & Mini Rexs, \$10/1. Dextel Terrebbonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 868-2693.

Commercial NZ FR1000, Californias, Satin Crosses, \$5/1-up; breeder does, \$20. Leon Boudreaux, Jeanerette, 70544; (337) 276-6164.

Flemish, 5 - 10 mos., 3 does, 2 bucks, cages, waterers, \$100/all. Marvin Carter, Pineville, 71360; (318) 442-1717.

NZW, Calif., does, bucks, 4-H & breeder quality, \$10 - \$15/1; San Juans, NZW X Calif. does, \$7 - \$10/1. Edward McGuire, Lecompte, 71346; (318) 748-6433.

Blue eyed white dwarfs, Lops, male Dutch, 3 compartment cages with self water & feeder, \$25. Deb Rathe, St. Amant, 70774; (225) 6785-6609.

Pedigree Flemish Giants, \$30/1; Checkered Giants, \$50/1; Mini-Rex & Hotots, \$25/1; Toy Dutch, NZW, NZR, NZR & NZW cross, Calif., Calif-cross, mixed dwarfs, \$8/1-up. Wallace Smith, Cut Off, 70345; (985) 632-4749.

Lg. type pedigree Flemish Giants, 1 wk., \$30/1; non-pedigree Flemish Giants, Checkered Giants, Chin-

chilla Giants, NZW, French Lops, 8 wks., \$7/1. Charles Millet, Morganza, 70759; (225) 694-3962.

FERTILIZER

Wanted: Manure, rabbit, sheep or chicken, 1000 lbs. & more. Phil Istre, Dequincy, 70633; (337) 528-6242.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Beauregard sweet potatoes, \$7/ bushel, quantity prices avail. Brown McLemore, Gilbert, 71336; (318) 435-6833.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Prize large red Camellia with yellow thistle in center, blooming now, \$50/3 gal. container. Cavell Galloway, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 732-4918.

Hot Peter pepper, \$1/50 seed pkt., with SASE. Cleveland Guidry, 918 E. Ash St., Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-2042.

Gourds, Birdhouse Dipper, Egg, Cushaw, Crookneck, Green Stripe, \$1.50/30 seeds with SASE. James Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Bonsai trees, \$30/1-up. Lenny Cardenal, Harvey, 70058; (504) 341-0643.

Fig trees, will ship dormant bare root, 2 yr. plants, \$12/plus shipping & handling. Betty Robin, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Pecan trees, Oconne, Jackson, Sumner, 3 yrs., 15 gal., \$45. Shu-

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mard Oak, 3 yrs., 15 gal., \$35. James Robin, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Celeste fig, \$8/3 gal.; Jap Plum, \$8/3 gal.; Wax Myrtle, \$5/3 gal.; So. Magnolia, \$5, \$10, \$15 by size; Live Oak, 3' & 4', \$8; Jap Yew, 3 gal. bushes, \$8; Pomegranate dwarf, \$8/3 gal.; Monkey grass, 3 qt. tufts, \$1; Amaryllis red hybrid, \$5 - \$10 by size. James Stelly, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4528.

Wanted: Rooted plants of Sas-safras (Gumbo File). Evert Hebert, Morgan City, 70380; (985) 631-2180.

BEES / HONEY

Fresh honey, 1/2 pint, \$1.75; pint, \$3.50; quart, \$6, gallon, \$20. Dan Deogracias, Braithwaite, 70040; (504) 682-0209.

HAY & GRAIN

Bahia hay, excel. quality, fert. & cured without rain, 4' x 5' rd. bales, \$20/1. Ike Nichols, Kinder, 70648; (337) 639-2140.

'02 quality Jiggs Bermuda, \$3.75/bale in barn, \$4 - \$4.50/bale in barn delivered, not unloaded. Don Bernard, Lafayette, 70506; (337) 989-9675.

'01 Alicia Bahia 4 x 5 rd. bales, in barn, \$25/1; Cattle mix grass, \$15/1. Brandy Cella, Bush, 70431; (985) 892-0240.

'02 rd. bales, 4' x 6', Bahia, \$20/bale; Jiggs, \$30/bale, delivered \$5 bale. Donald Crawford, Lafayette, La. 70506; (337) 989-9675.

'02 Bahia, 4 x 5 bales, \$20/bale; '01 full crop, \$15/1. Larrell Richard, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-0824.

Bahia & Crab grass, 4' x 5' baled in; '02, \$14/1. C. Strother, St. Landry, 71367; (318) 838-2209.

'02 Bahia rd. bales, weed free, cured without rain, del. avail, \$20. Homer Dutsch, Bush, 70431; (985) 892-4041.

100 rolls of Alicia, well fertilized, \$15/roll; 60 rolls of Russell Bermuda, well fertilized, \$15/roll. Douglas Madden, Slaine, 71070; (318) 576-3570.

TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

Hay spear for 3 pt. hitch, \$125. Larry Duhan, Kaplan, 70510; (337) 652-6200.

Box scraper for lawn tractor with sleeve hitch, \$50; tandem disc with sleeve hitch, \$50; cultivator with sleeve hitch, \$50; tandem lawn air rater with sleeve hitch, \$50. John Gillespie, Walker, 70785; (225) 686-0574.

Lift poles, 8' long, 3 pt. hookup, 3" O.D. pipe, 1/4" thick, \$100. James Mott, Pollock, 71467; (318) 765-6688.

32" Marvin Land leveler, 10' wide, very good cond., \$850; Aqua-Pro pressure washer with Yanmar diesel engine, 4000 psi, elec. start, \$750. Patrick Richmond, Glenmora,

71433; (318) 447-8090.

AmCo hvy. duty 9' disc, hyd. lift, \$900. James Boudreaux, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-4183.

Push blade from 3000 Ford, 6' 6" wide, needs rams, \$250; Int. B-414 trac. for parts, \$300. Richard Byrd, St. Bernard, 70085; (504) 676-3530.

'94 Ford 5610S with 2 post canopy, 2 remotes, excellent, \$10,500; 1466 IH 2 pt. canopy, \$5800; JD 830 diesel, power steering, \$5600; NH 256 rake, \$450; HD 315 Woods Batwing 540, \$2000; 2000 Ford diesel, \$4895, R. Coldiron, Jonesville, 71343; (318) 339-7876.

Bushhog brand 860, 3 pt. hitch backhoe, used 5 times, almost new cond., \$3995; 5' bushhog, good cond., \$350. William Dart, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-5106 or (225) 683-8049.

Middle buster, \$100; 66" grader box, \$700. Mike Duke, Ventress, 70783; (225) 618-2483.

JD 4020 trac., \$6000; D6 Caterpillar dozer, good cond., \$12,000. Patrick Johnson, Lebeau, 71345; (337) 623-4479.

885 Case IH, 70 hp trac., good cond., \$8000; Woods 7' bushhog, excellent cond., \$1500. Webster LeBlanc, 70510; (337) 893-7182 or (337) 519-3420.

10' bushhog, new cond., very low hrs., \$2900; 42" cut, Cub Cadet riding lawn mower, 16 hp, Kohler Command engine, 22 hrs., \$2600. Patrick McCain, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-9291.

Transmission & rear end for IH 1466, \$600; Rayne Plane 150 bushel grain cart, \$200. Shaun Peck, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 879-2151 or (337) 945-2700.

Ford 7610S, 90 hp, 4 wd, 400 hrs., 2846 Bushhog frontend loader, 8' 3008 Bushhog cutter, 8' Rhino blade hyd. post hole digger, 8' gannon box blade, \$34,500. Ray Roden, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-2793.

Gravly 566, 12 hp, 30" deck, excel. cond., \$750; Yazoo riding mower, 16 hp, 48" deck, \$750. R. Rodrigue, Amite, 70422; (504) 913-8853.

Seeder spreader, wagon type, holds up to 1000 lbs., \$1250; portable air compressor, \$150 - \$350; 271 Detroit diesel engine, \$500. Mike Romero, New Iberia, 70560; (337) 365-6835.

1066 Int. trac., 130 hp, new tires, runs good, \$5500. Ronald Singleton, Iowa, 70647; (337) 582-7435.

JD 1518 Flex Wing bushhog, 2 yrs., 540 PTO, kept in shed, \$7800. Stephen Tessier, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-0650 or (337) 523-6650.

New equipment, 4' box scraper, \$360; 6' box scraper, \$405; MF 243 exhaust, \$150. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 209-0026 or (985) 868-2693.

JD 8 row cultivator, \$2000; 8 row lay-by ring, \$800; W & A 8 row hipper with row markers, \$2500. Bobby Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

(4) Burch planters, edge drop sword opener, 7 x 18 rubber tires, plastic seed hopper, never used, \$500/1. Clement Lejeune, Lake Charles, 70605; (337) 639-2439 or (337) 478-6085.

7720 JD Combine with 18'

header, \$15,000; 21' Vibrashank, \$1200; 60 bbl. rice cart, \$500; 875 Veritile, \$10,000; 26' JD 230 disc, \$1000; 21' water level, \$3000. C. Adam, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 783-5077.

Farmall Super A trac. with some tools, good cond., \$2400. A. Bordelon, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-7125.

Ford 3910 2 post canopy, remote hyd., p/s, very good cond., \$6850; 256 NH rake 450, HD 315 woods cutter, \$1995; JD 830, p/s, \$5800; IH 1466 2 pt. canopy, \$5800. Russell Coldiron, Jonesville, 71343; (318) 339-7876.

'78 JD 2840, excel. cond., \$10,000. Robert Fletcher, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-8622.

8' 3 pt. grader blade angles all directions, like new, \$500. Donald Romero, Iowa, 70647; (337) 588-4278.

IH 1586 trac. for parts, with tires mounted, \$800. James Stacy, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-3692.

NH 850 rd. baler, manual tie, approx. 100 rolls, \$1500. C. Unsworth, Doyline, 71023; (318) 745-2144.

4020 JD diesel, rebuilt hyd. pump, relief valve, stng. valve, stng. motor, converted to 12 volt system, \$7800. Clifton Wells, Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-2853.

'01 8" Wesh irrigation pump, used very little, \$2500; 4" Honda 13 hp elec. start water pump, like new, \$1500. James Crawford, Evergreen, 71333; (318) 346-9851.

JD M, \$2300; Ford 9 N, \$2400; Ferguson M30, \$2,400; Ford 8 N, \$2000. Lurry LaBorde, Mansura, 71350; (318) 563-4931.

(4) 18.4 x 46 R1 radial tractor tires, 3 star, \$1000/all or \$300/1. Raymond Loewer, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-3534.

Hayforks, shop built, will lift 4 x 5 or 6 x 6 bales, hook up to any 3 pt., \$150. Blake Veillon, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 831-3247.

NH 452 hay cutter, 6 1/2' cut, one owner/operator, well maintained, stored in barn, complete with manuals, field ready, \$1800 firm. Sharlane Clattenbury, Montpelier, 70442; (225) 777-4909.

Ford 7810S, 90 hp, 835 hrs. with canopy & Woods loader, model 255 with quick attach bucket & hay fork, \$21,500. Jim Hatfield, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 386-2115.

JD 320 cultivator & planter, complete set, \$450; JD 420 cultivator, \$250. T. J. Warner, Bossier City, 71112; (318) 347-6806.

274 Int., 1 row tractor planter, JD fertilizer distributor, 5' tiller, 1 transplanter, 3 row builder, other equipment, \$7000. Joseph Clement, Iota, 70543; (337) 779-3394.

Ford 6710, cab, dual power & hydraulics, 90% rubber, motor over hauled in '01, very dependable, \$6000. Jerry Heirtzler, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-5802.

Spring tooth harrow, 12' drag type with tool bar, never used, \$475. C. J. Lejeune, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2439 or 478-6085.

JD combine, \$27,000' NH 8870, \$50,000; JD 637 disc, 24 ft., \$17,500; JD 2955, 4 wheel drive, \$13,500; Int.

496 disc, \$2000; Amco Levee plow, \$2500. John Breaux, Egan, 70531; (337) 783-7008.

1066 Farmall tractor with canopy, 125 hp., good condition, w/55 gal. diesel drum & Pump, 2 pt. hay fork., \$5500. John Guidry, Church Point, 70525; (504) 889-1536.

Seeder/fertilizer distributor, 3 pt. hitch, \$200. R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4566.

42 hp. Long 2460, 900 hrs., need to upgrade, \$9500; Vicon 5 1/2' hay cutter, needs new cover, \$1500. Kevin Domingue, Scott, 70583; (337) 873-8350.

772 Ford frontend loader, fits 4000 or 5000 trac., needs paint, \$1000. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: Seed & grain drill, preferably 8 - 10 ft. Roy LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4566.

Wanted: 15' Batwing shredder, no more than 3 yrs. old., very good condition, fits 540 PTO. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: Power King or Jim Dandy tractor for parts. Eugene Wine, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 528-9393.

Wanted: JD 535 or 566 rd. baler & JD 6400 - 7210 trac. Fred Lucky, Bossier City, 71112; (318) 747-1873.

Wanted: Drag type gang disc, 10' wide with 4 gangs, on wheels. C. Unsworth, Doyline, 71023; (318) 745-2144.

Wanted: JD 510 rd. hay roller for parts, any cond. Lyn Knight, Pineville, 71360; (318) 449-9890.

Wanted: Fanex 500 PZ rotary tedder for parts, located in Southeast, LA. Homer Dutsch, Bush, 70431; (985) 892-4041.

Wanted: Frontend loader to fit 995 David Brown or 986 Int. tractor. Rodney Lavergne, Branch, 70516; (337) 684-2675.

Wanted: Frontend loader to fit M82 Kubota 2002 4 wheel drive. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: 15' Batwing Shredder, 3 yrs., good cond., fits 540 PTO. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

FARM TRUCKS & RELATED PARTS

'01 Ford Power Stroke with automatic transmission, ready to go, less than 40,000 miles, \$7500. Ben Taunton, Jonesville, 71343; (318) 386-7825.

'93 F350 flat bed, single wheel, auto trans., diesel, \$4400. Chris Berthelot, Oak Grove, 70486; (318) 428-8548.

'95 Chev., 6 cyl., positive traction, 118,000 miles, good condition, \$5000. Dalton Broussard, Maurice, 70555; (337) 893-3729.

'83 Ford Ranger XL diesel, runs & drives, needs minor repairs, 25 - 30 mpg, new tires, \$1200. Tommy Duke, Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-3158.

'98 Dodge 2500 Cummins turbo

diesel, quad cab, tow pkg., excel. cond., 77,000 miles, \$16,000. Patrick McCain, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-9291.

'91 Ford F-700 diesel winch, gin poles, rolling tail board, 6 spd., 112,000 miles, \$9500; 50 gallon saddle tank, \$50; 4" ring & pinion gear to fit late model Z-71, \$250. Morris Pitre, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7289.

'70 Ford 6 yrd. dump truck., new tires, \$2700. Richard Reeves, Kinder, 70648; (337) 639-2602.

'88 Chev. 3500 single rear wheel, hvy. duty rear cowboy bumper, factory made front grid, 5th wheel hookup, body in good cond., needs motor, \$800. Wayne Smith, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2473.

'90 Chev. ¾ ton pickup, \$4500. S. Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4584.

'73 Ford F700 rice truck, 16' steel box & bed, hyd. lift, \$3000. C. Adam, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 783-5077.

'96 Chevy 2500, 350 engine, steel bed, great cond., \$4500. A. Bordelon, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-7125.

'02 GMC Sierra, extra cab, 14,200 miles, loaded, leather, towing pkg. with factory hitch, 5.3 liter, V8, \$22,000. Robert Fletcher, Hammond, 70401; (985) 345-8622.

'90 Dodge dually truck bed, \$100; '93 Dodge dually truck bed, \$150. Mitch Martin, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 625-8265.

'78 Int. Crane truck, tandem wheels, 12 ton, 90' boom, real good shape, \$20,000. Robbie Soileau, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 343-3704.

'80 Chevy, 1 ton, restored, new med. duty motor, winch, gin poles, Detroit locker, new tires, 4 spd., \$8750. Clifton Wells, Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-2853.

TRAILERS, WAGONS & EQUIPMENT

'92 Featherlite 6 horse rib alum., mid-tack, rear tack, dressing room, top hay rack, good cond., \$13,500. Melissa Miller, Washington, 70589; (337) 826-5259 or (337) 271-4128.

Cotton trailers, 22' & 24', new rims, good tires, \$225. Jack Walker, Rayville, 71269; (318) 728-6595.

2 Horse with bumper pull, extra nice, \$1300; Wagon, rubber tires, cypress shafts, tongue, tow bar, \$750. Jim White, Castor, 71016; (318) 544-2356.

'85 Ford 800, 5,115 orig. miles, Stinger model 70 boom (extends), \$7500; 4 cyl. Perkins diesel engine & transmission, excellent running cond., \$1850. Michael Carter, Laplace, 70068; (504) 559-3569.

'98 40' Fleet neck trailer, 5' dove tail, (2) 12,000 lb. axles, good cond., \$5000. David Veazey, St. Amant, 70774; (225) 675-5216.

Stainless steel wagon, new tires, good paint job, \$600. Raymond Brooks, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-6019.

Stock & horse trailer, HD, 16', bumper pull, center gate, sliding rear gate, spare tire, undercoated, treated flooring, pulls easy, \$4175.

R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4533.

Wanted: Bumper pull trailer, 20' or gooseneck, 6000 or 7000 lb. axle, width of bed 6' 11", excellent cond. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

LIVESTOCK & FARM SUPPLIES

Please include a statement along with your ad indicating how the item has been or can be used on a farm.

Pony saddle, excel. cond., \$125. Patricia Costanza, Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 526-6437.

Water well pump & motor, excellent cond., magnetic 1 hp motor, Fairbanks Morris diaphragm, \$150. Gerald Cox, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-44736.

Stainless steel curb & snaffle bits, \$10 & \$25/1; 3 prs. leather Show Chaps, (1) smooth leather, gray, large, (1) black, (1) green size med., \$55/1; Oster Stewart horse clippers, extra blades, \$65. Barbara DeVille, Pineville, 71360; (318) 442-0567.

Tomaco Pea sheller, 1 bu. cap., 2 sets screens, \$1000. Verlin Latiolais, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 948-4141.

Sand Blaster hoses, six bag, nozzle, hood air filter, ac, whip & bull hose, \$1200/all. David Mallet, Iowa, 70647; (337) 588-4367.

Pen with top, fits Toyota or Nissan truck beds, for lambs, hogs, dogs, \$135. Daryl Miller, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7902.

Lincoln electric welding machine, 2 or 3 phase, 250 auger, \$250.

Tommy Stockman, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 335-2967.

7,000 lb. axle with elec. brakes, 8 lugs, \$250. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

3' x 7' drag (Harrow), built on 3 pt. hitch, 2 7/8" pipe, 5" teeth on bottom, good for arenas & pens, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 652-6200.

Cedar lumber, new, recently sawed, 800', \$750. Johnnie Fontenot, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 461-2477.

(2) Hay rings, large, head gate, \$200. S. Baker, Deridder, 70634; (337) 462-1698.

English saddle, bridle girth, stirrups, pad, stand, complete, \$500. Jean Bradley, River Ridge, 70123; (504) 737-1234.

Lincoln welding machine, 200 amp, steel bed, boxes, welding leads, 250 Ford truck, \$5000. Raymond Burleigh, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-7005.

G-40 Randolph right angle gear drive, 1:1 gear ration for 12" low lift pump, \$1000. Flory Crochet, Montegut, 70377; (985) 594-2555.

Cattle feed trough, built on skids, metal top, 4' x 4', \$125; 4' x 6', \$150; 4' x 8', \$200. S. Gourdon, Goldonna, 71031; (318) 357-0616.

Barbless wire, stainless steel, 1 roll will fence 4 acres, \$150/roll; propane tanks, used for troughs, \$75; trusses, 32' steel, \$65/1; fiberglass tanks, 12,000 gal., \$1000/1. PTO driven high pressure water sand blasting pump, \$1000; PTO driven transfer pump, 6", \$500. Gerald

Gulotta, Independence, 704453; (504) 491-6148.

Plastic drums, 55 gal. with lids, \$25/1; Plastic drums, 55 gal., without lids, \$15/1. Roy Jeanfreau, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-2165.

Auto head gates, \$350; hay rings, \$110; feed, water troughs, \$55/1-up. Celia Juneau, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 562-8478.

New Priefert Squeeze chute, \$1450; panels, 8', \$445; 10', \$48; 12', \$52; 16', \$62.50; creep feeders, 650 lbs., \$350. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8478.

Corrugated tin, 22½" long, 50 sheets, \$15/1; 60 gallon aluminum fuel tank, \$200; mobile home trailer axles with tires, \$250/1. Webster Leblanc, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-7182 or (337) 519-3420.

Storage tank, 8,000 gal., \$500; Storage tank, 3,000 gal., \$250, with all valves & connections. Robert Melder, Forest Hill, 71430; (318) 748-6543.

15' saddle, bridle, blanket & other tack, barely used, \$300/all. Ed Nettles, Holden, 70744; (225) 567-9298.

New rd. pen, 50', hvy. duty panels, 4' gate, \$900; new Western saddle, Texas made, 16" seat, \$325. C. O'Neill, Holden, 70744; (225) 777-4415.

Galv. panels & pens, med. duty, 50' round pen, 1 7/8" x 16 ga. frame with 1 3/8" 18 ga. inner bars, includes 4' bow gate, \$820. Michael Passman, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5094.

Oxygen & Acteylene cart, hvy.

duty, \$75; portable engine hoist, 2 spd. hyd. ram & extendable boom, \$300; 3 phase elec. motors, 10 - 200 hp., \$5/hp; 5 hp Honda water pump with 2" suction & discharge hoses, \$500. Morris Pitre, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7289.

Calf Creep feeder, no trap style, \$250; Waterwell pumps & tanks, shallow & deep, \$100 - \$300; livestock fans, \$75 - \$350. Mike Romero, New Iberia, 70560; (337) 365-6835.

2½" O. D. pipe, ¼" wall, over 500 ft., \$295; 2 7/8" hvy. wall pipe, \$30/joint. Anna Smith, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-5476.

Lincoln Ranger 8 welder, 16 hp Onan engine with 150' leads, excel. cond., \$1800; with trailer, \$2700. Gordon Smith, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-5476.

Shopbuilt spray rig, 500 gallon, 40' booms, 3 pt. mount, need repairs, \$500; Double cylinder hyed. lift kit for 2 ton grain bed, complete with tank, pump & drive line, \$1200. Wayne Smith, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2473.

Black metal pipe, 1" sch. 40, 38¢/ft.; 1½" sch. 40, 46¢/ft.; 1½" sch. 40, 56¢/ft.; 2" sch. 40, 80¢/ft. Colton Terrell, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 514-0722.

Metal barrels with loc, 55 gal., lids, \$10/1. E. Welch, Kentwood, 70454; (985) 229-8590.

Nursery pots, approx. 16,000 2" x 2" Rose pots & flats, approx. 350, \$100/all. Stuart Burris, Frierson, 71027; (318) 797-0239.

Tubing, 2 3/8", 75¢/ft.; 2 7/8",

85¢/ft.; 3½", 95¢/ft.; 7" casing, \$5/ft.; 8 5/8" casing, \$6/ft. Trey Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

Building lumber, rough cut, cured in barn, 2" x 6" x 16', 2" x 4" x 16", 1" x 6" x 16', 45¢ per board foot. Homer Dutsch, Bush, 70431; (985) 892-4041.

24" Hvy. wall pipe, 38' long, \$400; 55 gal. plastic drums with lids, \$20/1. Aaron Fuselier, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-5667.

2 Walkers, 4-horse, with motor, \$500 & \$650. Stephen Tate, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-8283.

Rebuilt injection pump & injectors for Onan engine, model MDJE, excellent shape, \$150. B. Bergeron, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-1909.

Plantation bell, complete 18" diameter, cast iron, \$60. Henry Mith, Covington, 70433; (985) 892-0460.

125 kw generator, Cummins engine, \$5000. Douglas Madden, Saline, 71070; (318) 576-3570.

Gooseneck hook-up, \$250; Fifth wheel hook-up, \$250. T. J. Warner, Bossier City, 71112; (318) 347-6806.

Wood burning heated with variable speed, used, variable speed blower, outside: 34" wide, 31 1/2" high, 20" deep, inside: 24" wide, 14" deep, 20" high, ash chamber, \$600. Erole Kreamer, Marrero, 70072; (504) 347-8751.

800' heavy wall pipe, \$3/50/ft, del. avail. T. Enright, Sicily Island, 71368; (318) 389-5395.

Wanted: culverts, new or used, no concrete, 42" diameter & more. Hil Istre, Dequincy, 70633; (337) 528-6242.

Wild Game Recipes for Super Bowl Parties

French Rabbit Stew

- 1/2 cup butter (1 stick)

6 shallots, sliced

1 rabbit, cut up

3 tablespoons flour

3 tablespoons red wine
- 1 cup cold water

bouquet garni (3 sprigs parsley, pinch thyme, 2 large garlic cloves)

several baby carrots, cooked

Put 2 rounded tablespoons of clarified buter into a heavy skillet and melt over low flame. Add 3 or 4 of the shallots and the rabbit. Do not flour rabbit. Cook rabbit until it is a golden color, about 5 minutes. Remove from skillet and set aside along with juice. Add 1 to 3 more rounded tablespoons clarified butter; melt, then add 3 tablespoons flour. Make a paste, add 1 cup cold water; stir until well blended and thick. Add bouquet garni. Add pieces of rabbit with juice. Taste and season. Add more shallots if desired, salt and pepper. Add cooked baby carrots. Add enough tepid water to cover and red wine. Bring to a boil. Cover and simmer about one hour.

Rattlesnake Chili

- 3/4 cup chopped onion

3 tablespoons oil

2 1/2 cups parboiled rattlesnake meat

2 cups cooked tomatoes
- 2 cups cooked pinto beans

2 1/2 teaspoons chili powder

1/2 teaspoon hot red pepper flakes

1 teaspoon salt

In a large skillet, saute onion in hot oil until tender. Add remaining ingredients. Simmer for 15 to 20 minutes. Serve as is or over rice. Makes 4 to 5 servings.

Goose Kabobs

- 2 goose or duck breasts

1 8-ounce bottle Italian dressing

2 large onions
- 3 green bell peppers

8 strips bacon

Skin goose breasts and remove from bone. Cut into 1-inch cubes. Marinate in Italian dressing for 48 hours in refrigerator, stirring twice daily. Light charcoal fire. While waiting for the fire to get to medium heat, quarter onions and separate into layers. Cut bell peppers into 1 1/2-inch squares. Cut bacon into 1-inch pieces. On a skewer put bacon on each side of goose cube. Alternate onion and pepper with each piece of goose. Continue on skeweres until all ingredients are used. Grill over medium heat 12 to 15 minutes, turning often and basting with remaining marinade.

Deep-Fried Quail

salt	2 bay leaves
pepper	1/4 cup butter
6 quail	2 cups pancake batter
1/2 cup water	1/2 teaspoon thyme
vegetable oil for frying	

Salt and pepper quail. In a large skillet mix water, bay leaves and butter. Add quail. Cover and steam on low for one hour or until quail are fork-tender. Make pancake batter and season with salt, pepper and thyme. Dip each quail into batter, coating well. Fry in hot oil until lightly browned, just a few seconds.

*More Wild Game Recipes for
Super Bowl Parties*

Deer Bologna

30 lb. ground deer meat	1/4 oz. salt
1 lb. Tender Quick	1 teaspoon garlic salt
1 oz. black pepper	1 1/2 teaspoon mace
1/2 cup sugar	3 tablespoons liquid smoke flavoring

Mix Tender Quick, pepper, sugar, salt, garlic salt and mace. Add to ground meat. Mix very well and put through a grinder. Press into wide-mouth jars and cook for four hours. Yields 30 pounds.

Baked Dove

18 doves	1/2 lemon juice and grated rind
2 tablespoons butter	2 teaspoons liquid smoke flavoring
2 tablespoons oil	1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
salt	4 strips bacon
pepper	1/4 cup sherry wine
1/8 teaspoon garlic salt	1/4 cup water

Brown doves in a mixture of butter and oil; salt and pepper liberally while browning. Remove doves to a baking dish. Sprinkle with garlic salt, lemon juice and rind, liquid smoke, Worcestershire sauce and more salt and pepper. Cover the doves with bacon. Deglaze the skillet in which the doves were browned with sherry and water. Pour over doves. Cover and bake at 325 degrees F for one and a half hours.

Dove Pie

6 doves	1 teaspoon salt
1 cup water	1 2-crust pie pastry
2 ribs celery, chopped	1/4 cup butter
1/2 green bell pepper, chopped	black pepper to taste
1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper	

Place doves in pot with 1 cup of water. Add celery, bell pepper, red pepper and salt. Steam 45 to 60 minutes until birds are tender. Cool and bone doves. Reserve 1 cup broth. Line an 8-inch square baking dish with 1/2 pastry. Top with meat mixture. Dot with butter. Season with salt and pepper. Add reserved broth. Top with remaining pastry. Brush with melted butter. Bake at 350 degrees F until brown, about one hour.

Wild Duck

1 duck
1 can sauerkraut
1 small can frozen orange juice concentrate
1 stalk celery, chopped
1 small onion, chopped
salt
pepper

Salt and pepper duck. Mix sauerkraut, orange juice concentrate, celery and onion. Pack over and around duck in a covered Dutch oven. Roast at 325 degrees F for four hours. If the duck becomes too dry during cooking, add a small amount of water. Sauerkraut will disappear during cooking.

*Venison, Moose or
Elk Roast*

2 to 3 lbs. of roast meat	1 teaspoon pepper
1 cup celery, chopped	1 can stewed tomatoes
1 cup onions, chopped	flour
1/2 teaspoon salt	

Fry onions and celery until brown. Remove from pan and place meat in pan. When meat is browned, add onions, celery, salt and pepper. Cover and simmer until tender. Add stewed tomatoes; simmer for another half hour.

Venison Cutlets

Venison (any cut)	1/2 cup flour
1 egg	Oil
1/2 cup milk	1 lemon
1 four ounce pkg. soda crackers, crushed	salt and pepper

Cut venison into slices about 1/4 inch thick and hamburger patty size. Remove all fat from meat. Pound thoroughly with a tenderizing hammer. Mix egg and milk in bowl and dip venison slices into mixture. Remove and roll in cracker and flour mixture. Fry in hot oil until golden brown, turning once. Remove and place on paper towel to drain. Squeeze lemon juice on venison immediately after removing from skillet. Salt and pepper to taste.



Victoria Baxter discusses the day's ride with Scooter LeBoeuf, district director of the National Barrel Horse Association (above). Intensity registers as Victoria (below left) and Paige Armstrong (right) make tight turns around the barrels. Victoria chats with a friend with trophy saddles in the background ready to be awarded to the winners (below, right).



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"The feeling that I get from Congress is that they support a disaster package for farmers and rural communities, but the administration just doesn't support it," Odom said.

What many people don't realize, Odom added, is that 67 percent of the current Farm Bill funding goes to food and nutrition programs including those for the poor and working poor, the elderly and WIC.

Only 16 percent of the funding goes to farmers, which leaves them needing assistance in times of weather-related disaster.

As part of his efforts to get help for farmers, Odom also sent Gov. Mike Foster's office a proposed

resolution for the Southern Governor's Association to sign in support of a rural economic development stimulus package. The resolution, if passed, says the governors will encourage their Congressional delegations to support a package, as well.

"Agriculture makes up the bedrock that serves as the foundation of Louisiana's and the United States' economy," Odom said. "Last year's disaster followed four previous years of large losses in Louisiana agriculture. From 1998 to 2000, extreme drought conditions brought losses that totaled \$486 million, \$202 million and \$571 million respectively.

"In 2001, losses were \$265 mil-

lion from Hurricane Allison and subsequent rains. Then in 2002, we lost \$510 million. So over the five-year period, Louisiana agriculture has seen losses of \$2.03 billion.

"We, as consumers, continue to expect fresh, safe food to be on the supermarket shelves, but how can we expect our farmers to stay in business with losses like these? This is why we must have some sort of disaster package that is complete and helps every farmer in this nation. I am urging Congress and the administration to join our Congressional delegation and step up to the plate to do something for America's rural communities."

A friendly reminder

The Market Bulletin is expanding its advertising categories to include "From the Farm" items such as jams, jellies, quilts, birdhouses and other things made on the farm. Please remember this new category and submit your items for sale. We also need your "life on the farm" pictures and story ideas for future issues.

Competition intense among barrel racers

Victoria Baxter, an 8th grader at Redemptorist Junior High School in Baton Rouge, is rising rapidly through the nation's barrel racing ranks.

As the 14-year-old flies out of the gate at the recent National Barrel Horse Association (NBHA) District 4 Finals in Baton Rouge she has a look of concentration and fierce determination. She and her quarter horse, Rainbow, sprint around three barrels, placed like the points on a triangle, in 15 seconds.

The key to success in barrel racing is how quickly the horse can stop and turn around each barrel without knocking it over. Victoria on Rainbow is obviously quick. She and Rainbow appear to plunge headlong at a barrel, stopping just short, the horse pivots with quick stutter steps around the barrel and then is off to the next barrel.

For other riders, many barrels hit the ground. A barrel lying in the arena dirt adds five seconds to the recorded time. In a 15- to 16-second race, where the winner and the also-rans are separated by only hundredths of a second, the five-second penalty means elimination from any hope of finishing in the money.

Only in this case it's finishing in the saddles. A half-dozen saddles, embossed with the event and date, line Baton Rouge's Recreation and Parks Commission's Farr Park Horse Activity Center, south of LSU on River Road.

Victoria's time of 15.010 qualified her in the Open competition where adults and students alike are thrown together for the overall title. The titles of 1D Open Reserve Champion and the 1D Youth Champion are the latest in a mounting list for a rider so young. On this day in early December, Victoria finished 2nd in the Open event among 51 other riders while her strongest Louisiana competitor in other local and national events, Paige Armstrong of Raceland, another 14-year-old, finished 1st.

The two reversed roles in the Youth competition at a companion event at the Farr Park arena when Victoria finished 1st and Paige was runner-up.

Last January Victoria won the overall 4-H Capitol Area Show at LSU. Over Easter 2002 she won the Martha Josey Clinic Championship in Marshall, Texas.

At the National Barrel Horse Association Youth World Championship Show earlier in the year in Jackson, Miss., in the Teen event, Victoria finished fourth out of more than a thousand competing horses. Her fourth place finish was less than a tenth of a second out of first place. For the Baton Rouge Barrel Racing Association, Victoria was the 2002 Open Barrel's Reserve Champion and the 2002 Youth Barrel Racing Champion.

Paige Armstrong won the finals of the event of the Teen World Youth competition.

Victoria is the daughter of David and Mona Baxter and the granddaughter of Carolyn and Henry Baxter. Her grandfather is director of the meat inspection division for the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry.

"This is what we do on most weekends, traveling to one competition or another," Baxter said.

Unlike most quarter horses that make it to this competitive level, Rainbow was actually bred, born and raised on the Baxter farm north of Baton Rouge. At six years old Rainbow is young for a barrel racing quarter horse. Many similar horses don't reach their peak performance years until 10 or 12 years old.

But dad David is always on the lookout for the next horse for his daughter. "We are always looking and breeding for the next prospect."



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tree that they think is going to outperform any others and we will actually plant their seeds for them at our nursery.

"In the case of Boise Southern, for example, we grew 3.5 million slash and loblolly pine seedlings for them this year," Hanchey said.

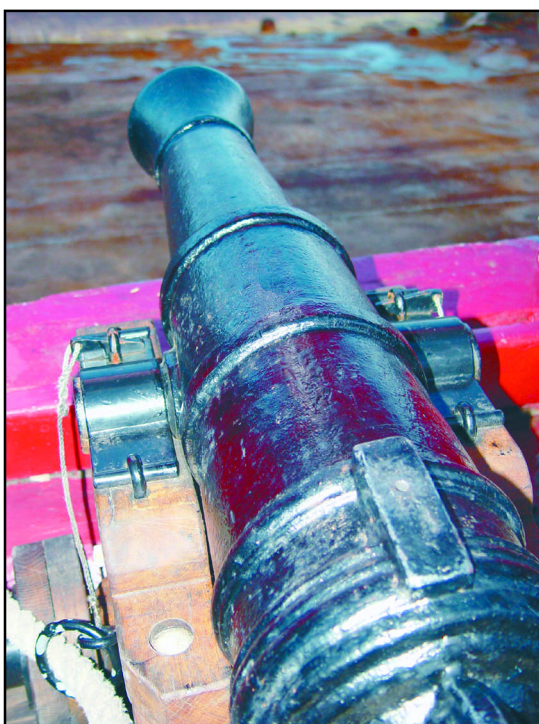
Traditionally the nurseries plant the first couple of weeks in April. Harvesting at the nursery starts in November and runs through March, with the seedlings replanted by private landowners in late December through February.

In recent years, new planting techniques have been developed. "Some of the local timber companies have been experimenting with planting earlier and earlier. It's a technique called 'hot planting.' We will lift the trees in the morning. They'll come pick them up and they'll be back in the ground before nightfall," Hanchey said. "They don't actually spend but a very few hours out of the ground. Every year they are moving the date up.

"They figured out that if they can get them out of the ground and back in the ground in the same day the tree will actually continue to grow another few weeks before dormancy sets in. They've had great success with it."

HMS Bounty makes stop in Baton Rouge

The historic replica of the HMS Bounty, one of the last full-rigged ships still sailing, made a stop in Baton Rouge recently before continuing on to St. Petersburg, Fla. MGM studios commissioned this replica of the Bounty for the 1962 movie "Mutiny on the Bounty" starring Marlon Brando. The movie was an adaptation of the 1932 novel of the same name by Charles Nordoff and James Norman Hall which has spawned a half-dozen movies including versions in 1935 starring Clark Gable and 1985 starring Mel Gibson. The book chronicled the 1787 mutiny in the south Pacific led by Fletcher Christian. The ship's tyrannical captain, William Bligh, was set adrift in the Bounty's launch with 18 of the ship's crew. With no charts and only a sextant and a pocket watch, Bligh navigated the launch 3600 miles to safety, a feat of navigation unparalleled to this day. The mutineers eventually landed on Pitcairn Island, an unknown speck in the vast Pacific Ocean. Most of the mutineers died but descendants of some of the mutineers live on the island to this day. The replica is a fully working ship with 14 deck hands, three officers and a captain. On its tours around the country, the Bounty has raised \$1.5 million for repairs to its hull and is attempting to raise an additional \$3 million for refurbishing the topsides.



State launches national campaign to save coastal Louisiana

The nation will soon commemorate the anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase. When the United States paid France \$15 million nearly two centuries ago for this 828,000 square mile tract of land west of the Mississippi River, it was described as the greatest real estate deal in history.

Nearly two centuries later, the heart of this purchase, America's Wetland, is being lost.

Efforts are underway to raise public awareness of the devastation. In the largest public awareness initiative in its history, Louisiana is

leading America's WETLAND: Campaign to Save Coastal Louisiana. The three-year campaign will raise awareness of the impact of Louisiana's wetland loss and will increase support for efforts to save coastal Louisiana.

America's Wetland is one of the largest and most productive expanses of coastal wetlands in North America. This valuable landscape extending along Louisiana's coast is disappearing at a rate of 35 square miles per year.

America's Wetland is the seventh largest delta on earth and is the

heart of an intricate ecosystem on the verge of collapse. Serving as the habitat for millions of waterfowl and migratory birds, as these wetlands disappear:

- ◆ A habitat for wildlife and endangered species is threatened
- ◆ America's offshore oil and gas supply becomes vulnerable
- ◆ America's seafood supply is in danger
- ◆ Wells, pipelines, ports, levees and roads become even more vulnerable
- ◆ The world's largest port system is at risk

"Waterfowl, like many other species of wildlife, depend on Louisiana's coastal marshes during part of the year to fulfill their life-cycle needs," Ducks Unlimited Executive Vice President Don Young said.

Perhaps most critically, these wetlands serve as protection from hurricanes and storm surges for more than two million people living in the coastal zone, including the city of New Orleans. Due to the loss of wetlands, experts anticipate the next big storm to hit Louisiana could kill thousands.

The impact of wetland loss also extends far beyond Louisiana's borders, according to U.S. Sen. John Breaux. The products that flow through the state literally keep America alive.

"We may not be recognized on the national or world stage as our coast has silently disappeared, but our case is as significant as any world ecological challenges," Breaux said. "We're in a race against the clock. We cannot save every acre of land, but we can sustain the value of this remarkable landscape."



News around the nation

Agriculture & Forestry issues from across the 50 states

Look back shows some ups, downs for Missouri agriculture

A review of 2002 reveals many positive accomplishments for Missouri's agricultural industry, but a number of challenges remain, the state's director of agriculture, Lowell Mohler, said.

The federal farm bill, a state omnibus agriculture law and initiatives recommended by Gov. Bob Holden's task force on agriculture were some of the 2002 highlights, Mohler said. However, a drought, depressed market prices and the threat of bioterrorism clouded the picture and remain on the horizon for 2003.

"If you were to describe the past year for Missouri agriculture in terms of the weather, you might say it fell somewhere between record rainfall and severe drought," Mohler said. "Missouri had it all in 2002. It was definitely a year of ups and downs."

Here, in Mohler's view, is a summary of the highlights from 2002 and a look at the challenges that lie ahead:

Production - Overall, crop pro-

duction turned out to be better than expected, Mohler said.

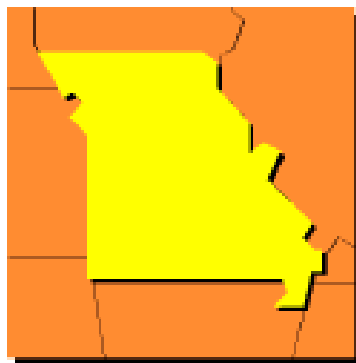
The drought that struck many parts of the state, most notably the northern half, took its toll on corn and soybean yields, but did not devastate crops to the extent feared. However, dry conditions persist, setting the stage for a repeat in 2003.

Livestock prices are recovering, with cattle prices on the upswing through the first half of this year, and a rise in hog prices expected by spring.

House Bill 1348 - In June 2002, Gov. Bob Holden signed this piece of omnibus legislation that provides producers with new opportunities to expand value-added initiatives, invest in renewable fuel facilities and capitalize on high-value, non-traditional crops and products.

State Budget - The Missouri Department of Agriculture offered up an additional 11 percent of its general revenue funding to help the state deal with revenue shortfalls.

The largest reductions were in



some of the department's incentive funds for value-added programs, with the remaining cuts coming from leaving open vacant positions and reducing travel, training, and supply and equipment purchases.

Homeland Security - The department's Animal Health Division has developed an extensive plan for handling foreign animal diseases, whether introduced by natural means or terrorist act.

The division continues to work closely with state, federal and university entities to prevent agricultural bioterrorism and safeguard the

state's livestock and food industries.

Chronic Wasting Disease - The department continues to work closely with the Missouri Department of Conservation and other agencies to prevent chronic wasting disease, which affects elk and deer, from entering the state.

Some Missouri Department of Agriculture highlights include:

- unveiling a new AgriMissouri logo and expanding the marketing program to better promote Missouri-made and processed products.

- releasing survey results that show the impact of three agricultural industries: vegetable, nursery and equine.

Vegetable sales topped \$32 million in 2001, the nursery industry annually contributes approximately \$250 million to the state's economy, and the equine industry is estimated to have a \$420 million annual impact.

- hosting a successful centennial state fair that saw an increase in

attendance and the dedication of a new main gate, FFA building and state fair museum.

- joining with law enforcement representatives and local communities to prevent anhydrous ammonia thefts and find more secure ways to store and move the fertilizer, which is also a key ingredient in making methamphetamine.

- leading a successful trade trip to Taiwan that resulted in sales of rice and soybeans for Missouri producers.

- saving more than 100 abused and neglected dogs under the Animal Care Facilities Act program.

- releasing the findings of the Missouri Livestock Market Advisory Committee, which spent much of 2002 examining ways to develop a more robust livestock sector.

- continuing effective programs to eradicate the boll weevil from Bootheel cotton fields and to monitor for the gypsy moth, a pest that defoliates and weakens trees.

Idaho ag officials review field burning program

The Crop Residue Disposal Advisory Committee held its quarterly meeting in December 2002 to discuss the 2003 field burning season.

"Overwhelmingly, the committee agreed that this year's smoke management program benefited from the local focus," said Idaho State Department of Agriculture Director Pat Takasugi, who initiated the program as a voluntary effort in 1998.

"We have come a long way. However, it is clear from the comments we received from both farmers and the general public that there are several areas where we can immediately improve our program," he added.

The committee commended the addition of local coordinators to facilitate burn and no burn decisions. It was agreed that access to burn information via the website greatly enhanced the producer's ability to plan for burning fields. It also provided a mechanism for the general public to find out whether or not it was a burn day in a particular county. Committee members also applauded the efforts to increase monitoring and the use of specialized meteorological information.

The committee, however, pointed out that the program still

had weaknesses. One of the weaknesses included the inability of the system to accurately predict whether it was going to be a burn or a no burn day. For producers this meant pushing burning later into the day. For the public, this meant that information was not available until burning was slated to begin. All parties agreed that a more sophisticated notification system was required.

The committee also explored the possibility of submitting legislation, including a penalty provision, to the 2003 Legislature. One specific concern of the committee members is their inability to get the medical community involved in the process.

ISDA, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, the Kootenai Tribe and the Nez Perce Tribe are currently working on a report summarizing the 2002 field burning season.

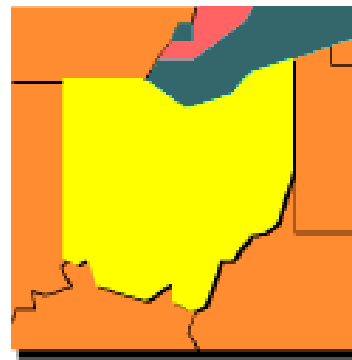
The Idaho State Department of Agriculture, which has regulatory authority over field burning, began to address crop residue disposal for grass and wheat stubble under a voluntary memorandum of understanding in 1998. Since that time, the voluntary program has grown to include a tiered regulatory system that monitors field burning down to the acre.



Ohio tobacco growers receive payments

The Southern Ohio Agricultural and Community Development Foundation issued more than 7,000 direct-payment checks in December amounting to \$14.2 million to certain burley tobacco farmers to help them overcome quota reductions and loss of production.

The payments are part of the Indemnification Payment Program, established through Senate Bill 242 in June 2002 using monies from the Tobacco Master Settlement. To be eligible for the program, growers and quota owners must have been enrolled in the Ohio Phase 2 Program, which has provided assistance from the National Tobacco Grower Settlement Trust.



The foundation was created by the General Assembly in June 2000 with monies from the tobacco settlement to help Ohio burley tobacco farmers and quota owners transition away from tobacco production and

explore other agricultural options as demand for tobacco drops and production diminishes. To date, the foundation has granted more than \$6 million in funds received from the master settlement agreement in direct or cost-share assistance.

"The drop in income from tobacco leaf production is impacting thousands of Ohio farm families and the economic stability of farm communities in the state's larger tobacco-producing counties," said Ohio Agriculture Director Fred L. Dailey, who is vice chairman of the board. "The foundation and its pilot projects are helping farmers expand their agricultural operations in more profitable directions."

Four Wis. deer test positive for Chronic Wasting Disease

Four more whitetail deer from a Walworth County farm-raised herd destroyed in December 2002 have tested positive for chronic wasting disease.

The four does were among 118 deer destroyed Dec. 12 on the James Hirschboeck farm, Eagle. A doe from the farm had tested positive in September 2002, and an escaped animal shot near the farm last fall also tested positive. All the animals from the farm have now been tested.

The carcasses have been in cold storage awaiting results. Carcasses

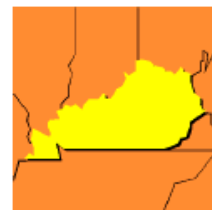


from the positive animals will now be cremated at Midwest Cremation Service of Wisconsin, Poynette. Carcasses from the negative animals will be landfilled.

The farm has been cleaned and disinfected, and will remain under quarantine for deer and elk for at least a year. Hirschboeck is free to introduce other species, however. He will receive an indemnity payment of no more than \$1,500 per animal, less the costs of storage and disposal. Until those costs are paid, a final indemnity figure will not be available.

Future of dairies topic of summit

Kentucky dairy producers will discuss the future of their industry in a summit Jan. 28-29.



Topics will include milk prices, regulations, bio-security, new dairies, value-added opportunities, heifer raising, new technology, and management issues.

Kentucky's number of milk cows has declined from 600,000 in 1950 to 125,000 as of Jan. 1, 2002, according to the 2001-2002 edition of Kentucky Agricultural Statistics. In recent years the Commonwealth has averaged as much as one dairy farm lost per day.

Visit your local farmers market

CADDO PARISH

Shreveport

Festival Plaza Farmers Market
Festival Plaza & River Front
Sat. & Wed., 6:30 - 11:00 a.m.
June 1-September 7

CALCASIEU PARISH

Lake Charles

Lake Charles Farmers Market
Ryan Street & Broad
Sat. 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
March - December

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Baton Rouge

Red Stick Farmers Market #1
300 North Bld.
Downtown Municipal Building
Parking Lot
Saturday 7:00 - 11:00 a.m.
May - September
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12 noon
October - April
Red Stick Farmers Market #2
8470 Goodwood Blvd.
Unitarian Church Parking Lot
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
May - July, Sept. - Dec.

IBERIA PARISH

New Iberia

Teche Area Farmers Market
Bouligny Plaza (Iberia & Main)
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27... after 10/27 4 - 7 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.
mid May - December

LAFAYETTE PARISH

Lafayette

Acadiana Farmers Market
801 Foreman Drive
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
5:00 - 10:00 a.m.

LAFOURCHE PARISH

Thibodaux

Thibodaux Main Street Market
Hwy. LA 1 & Maronge St.
Saturday 7:00 - 11:00 a.m.
May 18 - November

MADISON PARISH

Tallulah

Tallulah Farmers Market
408 North Cedar Street
Hwy. 65 North
Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday
8:00 a.m. - Noon
June - November

MOREHOUSE PARISH

Bastrop
Morehouse Farmers Market
305 East Madison Street
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
May - December

NATCHITOCHES PARISH

Natchitoches

Cane River Green Market
(Farmers Market)
Cane River Bank-Downtown
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
April-October

ORLEANS PARISH

New Orleans

#1 Crescent City Farmers Market
700 Magazine Street
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - Noon
Year Round
#2 Crescent City Farmers Market
200 Broadway, Uptown Square
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Year Round
#3 Crescent City Farmers Market
3700 Orleans Avenue
Thursday 4:00 p.m.
Year Round

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Monroe

Monroe Farmers Market
1212 Washington Street
Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.
6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
May - September

West Monroe

West Monroe Farmers Market
1700 North 7th Street
Monday - Saturday
6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

ST. LANDRY PARISH

Opelousas

St. Landry Parish Farmers Market
952 East Landry Street
Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
6:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon
Mid May-November

ST. MARTIN PARISH

St. Martin

St. Martinville Creole Farmers
Market
Evangeline Boulevard
Saturday 8:00 - 11:30 a.m.

ST. TAMMANY PARISH

Covington

Covington Farmers Market
609 North Columbia Street at City
Hall
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Wednesday 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

TANGIPAHOA PARISH

Hammond

Cate Square Farmers Market
Corner of Charles St. & Oak St.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Cajun Farmers Market of Houma-
Terrebonne
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Mon. -Sat. 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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St. Francisville

St. Francisville Farmers Market
Agricultural Pavillion
(4-H Barn)
Wilcox St. - between Hwy. 61 &
Commerce St.
Thursday 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
April - December

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South America dethrones United States as soybean kingpin

China's needs are driving the soybean market

The United States once reigned as soybean king of the world. That picture did an about-face in 2002 when South America, with a single-year 12 percent growth in acreage, dethroned the North American kingpin.

Soybean production in the southern hemisphere is almost certainly going to continue upward as the major South American soybean producers, Argentina and Brazil, are furiously clearing more land for planting, said John Baize in his keynote address to the annual Tri-State Soybean Forum in Tallulah recently.

"The U.S. share of world soybean exports use to be 75 percent. That's down to 45 percent and South America is now exporting close to 50 percent of the world's beans," Baize, an international agricultural trade consultant, told farmers from Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi.

As U.S. farmers lose export market share to South America, the need for more soybeans worldwide is exploding. China, with a quarter of the world's population, has detonated the explosion, Baize said.

But people in the United States generally don't understand all the hoopla over soybeans. Other than soy sauce where do you find soybeans? Who eats them anyway?

The rub is that people don't eat soybeans animals eat soybeans. The animals representing steak, chicken, pork and farmed fish on America's dinner table and on increasing numbers of tables around the globe are fed soybeans, one of the cheapest and most nutritious foods found anywhere.

In many parts of the world, meat is a luxury enjoyed by very few on a regular basis which makes meat a strong symbolic marker. If a former third world or developing country is eating meat regularly, it has become "rich" in socio-economic terms and can boast of its arrival as a player on the world stage.

Enter China. No country has moved further faster economically in recent years than China. With 1.5 billion people, a quarter of the world's population, and a new economic philosophy, China is grasping hungrily for center stage and the limelight. Soybean-fed meats are helping them get there.

Chinese aquaculture is consuming five million tons of soybeans a year. Poultry production has quadrupled in five years. China has seven times more hogs than the United States. "They are by far the largest pork producer and consumer in the world," Baize said.

While individual freedoms are still virtually nonexistent, its rulers have begun a steady conversion of its

economic system to a hybrid of the free enterprise model. Per capita incomes have increased markedly in the last decade as a controlled market has given way to a competitive market.

"It's still not what we call free market, but it's getting there," Baize said.

"The Chinese government is really like the guy riding the tiger," he said. "You are going to go where ever the tiger wants to go. And the first thing you better remember every day is you've got to feed the tiger. If you don't he is going to turn around and eat you."

"China didn't want the same fate as Russia. Russia let its people go hungry which was part of what caused its collapse. China has initiated a conscious policy of improving the quality of the food and the diets of its people. That means beef, pork and poultry. Food has become a key element for the ruling elite in China to keep their people happy," Baize said.

To satisfy the mounting meat-hungry appetite of its people, China is taking soybeans, a commodity that could just as easily be consumed by its citizens in a variety of foods, and feeding it to animals. Since it requires many pounds of soybeans to add a single pound of meat to an animal's frame, a country has to have achieved a certain level of prosperity to be able to afford such a luxury.

Also, China has initiated huge aquaculture farming operations as evidenced by Louisiana's decade-long battle to stop the dumping of Chinese crawfish on U.S. markets. Farmed fish diets are almost exclusively soybean meal.

The changeover started in 1996. "Soybean imports have increased 100 percent during that period. Not long ago they were exporting soybeans. With this new policy direction, last year they imported 14 mil-

lion tons of soybeans. There are 60 ships a month unloading soybeans at Chinese ports. Each shipload represents 65,000 acres of soybeans."

And, as other world economies grow, although not on the scale of China, the penchant for meat, with its corresponding need for soybeans, is keeping pace. Those areas include Southeast Asia, the Mideast, North Africa and Eastern Europe, he said.

In Southeast Asia, for example, soybean imports have increased from 2.2 million tons to 7.5 million tons in the last decade.

But China is the key, he said. "As goes China, so goes the world's soybean markets."



'The Chinese government is like the guy riding the tiger. You better keep the tiger fed or he is going to eat you.'

*John Baize,
international
agriculture trade
consultant*



South American soybeans undercutting U.S. farmers

At one time the nation's soybean farmers fed every pig, cow and chicken growing in the United States. That has changed dramatically in recent years and nowhere has the change had greater impact than in the southeastern states.

Today, soybeans fed to livestock in the South are just as likely from South America as from domestic sources, according to John Baize, international agricultural trade consultant.

Soybeans from South America coupled with other economic and environmental issues even has some southeastern farmers looking at the option of moving their livestock operations to the Southern Hemisphere.

"Agriculture's golden goose in the southeast is hogs and poultry. Those animals consume mountains of soybean meal. Increasingly, more and more of that meal is coming from Argentina and Brazil," Baize told the annual Tri-State Soybean Forum, made up of farmers from Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana, in Tallulah recently.

Poultry is Louisiana's largest livestock industry, generating some \$700 million annually. Soybean production in Louisiana and the southeast has declined sharply over the last two decades. In the early 1980s, for example, Louisiana annually harvested beans from some two million acres. In 2001, the figure was 610,000 acres.

Baize blamed U.S. shipping regulations for the skewed picture of South American soybeans feeding U.S. livestock. Under federal regulations cargo aboard an ocean going ship is required to use U.S. flagged vessels when going from one U.S. port to another U.S. port. As a

result, soybeans barged down the Mississippi River from the major soybean states in the nation's heartland through the Port of New Orleans and destined for the major poultry and pork states along the East Coast must use pricey U.S. shipping to make the trip.

"From New Orleans to Wilmington, South Carolina soybeans move for \$30 a ton. A Brazilian farmer can ship his beans to Wilmington, South Carolina for \$16 a ton," Baize said. Large hog and poultry operations are located in North and South Carolina.

The southeastern states raise 80 percent of the poultry and 28 percent of the hogs produced in the United States. "Those animals eat a lot of meal but more and more it is coming into this country on foreign ships from South America."

There is also the issue of poultry and hog farming operations along the East Coast under assault because of the smell and effluent from concentrated farming operations.

Some hog farmers have elected to get out of the business rather than fight urban sprawl and the increasingly sensitive noses of migrating urban dwellers moving in large numbers to the country. There is even talk of hog and poultry farmers moving their operations to South America.

"If farmers don't deal with the shipping issue, soybean imports from South America will only increase. If livestock producers don't deal with the issues surrounding their animal production, many of our hog and poultry operations could move to South America."

"They don't think those animals smell so bad in Brazil," he said.

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